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PHILIPPA, 1977 Asia (about 2000) Female  
Adult for the Philippines, around a month of age.  
In lower-chin shows Asia at the recent Pictorial  
International Show, Bangkok in Thailand.

The festival is an annual event organized by the Tourism Authority of Thailand. This year, the government was able to attract 147,171 Thailand in 2014, the first attended more than 100,000 people.

"They absolutely rocked," said Lilla Hwang of London's MTV Eurovision.

"Winnipeg's future and transformation lie with us," David Gosses, of the Winnipeg-based Ecofys 2000, "told us. "Great things, excellent opportunities, boundless energy and unquenchable optimism—this is the best time we've seen. International leaders should be looking at there to see how it's all to be done!"

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**Animal** The band performed both English and Filipino songs, including their hit "Daway sa Balah" (2000).

"We were forced to live separately," said Madam Antonia Brown, governor of the Russian Ark.

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# Man of the cloth also a man of humor

From page B1

my brother," the late Jaime Cardinal Sin often quipped to explain why his parents allowed him to become a priest, the priest's personal playing partner of 30 years, Noli Benavente, recounted recently.

From before none of the cloth didn't escape by far for humor. On seeing a bald priest who rode a bicycle home, he would point and laugh to the priest's head.

Benavente said he was himself a regular host of Sin's jokes, recalling a time when he got lost in a Pasigian area during a foreign trip with Sin around in 1984.

"I was looking for my room and Father's Office. So, he was gone," Benavente said. His subject had taken off apparently in another direction while he was not looking.

Others he found lost, he was laughing in kind. He never forgot about his mistakes.

## Love for food

Sin also had a legendary appetite. Brother Benavente, a member of Sin's media staff for 21 years, admits he was never a big eater, he simply loved good food.

His favorites were varied: Steak, Caesar's salad, a Chinese soup called "Buddha Jumps Over the Wall," lobster (Sin ate pig) and Corb and Mussels French.

Dr. Ramon Sin, his younger brother, said he recalled being told his appetite only got bigger when he arrived in America.

But, the late priest was, above all, an extremely powerful man, fellow believers said.

His happy mix of faith was probably best captured by a large portrait displayed near his office at the Manila Cathedral. It shows him looking upwards, of his late brother, Noli.

That's why, he, according to some friends.

## On his knees for hours

Legions of Catholics including Oscar Cruz, his former military bishop in Manila, recalled how Sin would kneel before the altar for hours.

"There was a point when I preferred not to join him in prayer because I was leaving his prayers," he jokingly said. "I was praying for him, he was praying for me."

Once, Cruz said he had a talk with Sin's secretary. All the time they were in the car, the cardinal secretly listened to a Gregorian chant.

"It was an old record, something like 'Ave Maria' and 'Gloria' and 'Pater Noster'."

The memory of all this was his ability to kneel for hours before the altar, according to Cruz.

"Once we were in Rome and he suddenly asked us to call Manila because a bishop had just died," he recalled. "I was surprised, it was true he would really pray for it."

## Black humor

Every time this would start talking about a bishop's death, Cruz said he and his fellow prelates would joke and say, "Who's next?"

His black humor did not mean, Cruz said, "I was not a man who was afraid of death."

It was common knowledge in Manila that Cruz had been in the prison for years before he was released at his 70th birthday celebration before he was released for health.

His private wit, he then spoke to on the altar, telling the people to stop in fear and help prayer than Philippine Congressmen and their families, who had just turned their backs on the altar.

The man was happy.

Sin could not have gathered such a large crowd, attracted by him to his mission, had it not been for his charisma, priests said.

It was something he had developed through constant interaction with the media.

"He was a good communicator," Benavente said. "He realized the value of the media and how he should communicate."

He didn't have to look for the steps of his altar. Treating guests at Villa San Miguel, he would say, "Welcome to the house of the Lord."

The village he had created in his life, Manila, for the poorest situation there is known as the "Village of the Lord."

## Corrections

In THE INQUIRER's issue, on Action the Nation story on Page A17—"Cops open gun range in Iligan for more police"—mentioned the name of the mayor of Iligan. The Iligan mayor is Marito Dela Cruz—not Marito Legaspi. Legaspi was the former mayor of the town.

The latter story mentioned the name of the president of the Legaspi Employees Union. The union president is Brian Legaspi—not Legaspi.

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# 'Liberator of Filipinos'

In Ramon Ota, there would be nothing for them: information and vision, confidence in the present more to play his role.

He shows apparent optimism when he is asked. "I am confident in the future," he says. "I am confident in the future."

The president of the group of 100,000, Ota, says he is confident in the future. "I am confident in the future," he says. "I am confident in the future."

Ota's and a champion of the poor" arrived in rural Iloilo at the Manila Cathedral.

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**MANILA Archbishop Eduardo Rosales, together with other bishops, pays his last respects to Cardinal Ota, his predecessor, at the Manila Cathedral.**

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**'Deeply in love'**

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## PCSO CHAIRMAN VISITS PALAWAN



**PCSO Chairman Sergio G. Valenzuela with Iloilo operators and representatives of the Iloilo Catholic Church in Puerto Princesa to seek suggestions in improving operations and sales in the city.**

More than 1,000 residents from their departmental headquarters of Puerto Princesa City greeted over the weekend of the medical and dental assistance initiated by Governor and Mayor of Palawan, LERAYAN, the AFP Reserve Command, and in cooperation with the Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office (PCSO), led by Chairman Sergio G. Valenzuela, at the end of the PCSO's efforts to extend from health services to the far-flung areas of the country.

Also, Valenzuela met with a church assembly in Puerto Princesa to discuss the health care services in the city.

During the three-day visit of PCSO officials in Puerto Princesa City, Valenzuela met with Mayor Eduardo S. Baguderas and headed to the medical center of PCSO-000 which was part of the first program of the charity fund coming from the sales of lotto tickets in Puerto Princesa City.

Under the law, the fund from the lottery (L100) receives twice a year the proceeds of the charity fund from the lotto earnings in the area.

Valenzuela was accompanied by Governor LERAYAN, PCSO assistant general manager for Lotteries, Emilio Rosales, assistant general manager for corporate planning, Ramon Calayag, department manager for Southern Tagalog and Basil Region, and Don de Luna, chief of staff of Chairman Valenzuela.

"This will show that the local government will have more in your sector, they can make money to fund the delivery of services to their constituents," Valenzuela pointed out.

The P 1 million underfund fund will benefit the poor residents of Puerto Princesa City as well as other areas of Palawan province who wanted to build a medical assistance from the hospital at Palawan, he said. The Manila-based PCSO team presented in Puerto Princesa despite the threat of malaria disease in the province.

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Residents of these barangays of Puerto Princesa City - Tugue, Mangrove, and Mangrove - were provided free medical and dental assistance to other common diseases by voluntary doctors and nurses.

Valenzuela also held a dialogue with local doctors of Lotteries operators, and Departmental agencies to formulate strategies on how to increase their revenues to fund the PCSO activities that will help the poor people.

## MEDICAL MISSION AT PUERTO PRINCESA

**Brgy. Tugue, Mangrove, and Mangrove**







him to unbridledness.





# The World

Editor Lawrence B. Goss

## Bush admits Iraq war tough going

**WASHINGTON**—President George W. Bush's acknowledgment on Wednesday that the Iraq war may be "tough going" reflected an acknowledgment that progress was being made despite the setbacks. Bush's admission that the war is "tough going" was a sign that the war is not as easy as it once seemed. Bush's admission that the war is "tough going" was a sign that the war is not as easy as it once seemed.



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## Saddam friendly, talks a lot, say US guards

**OTTER CREEK**—Saddam Hussein, once known as a fierce and ruthless leader, is now seen as a friendly and talkative man by US guards. The guards say that Saddam is friendly and talks a lot. The guards say that Saddam is friendly and talks a lot.



**SADDAM**

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## Taiwan-Japan water row erupts anew

**TAIPEI**—The Taiwan-Japan water row has erupted anew. The Taiwan-Japan water row has erupted anew. The Taiwan-Japan water row has erupted anew.

## Government Warning is dangerous

















# INQUIRER

Northern Luzon

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## Memories of attack haunt Myrna



DIONES

By Yolanda Sando-Puente  
Manila, Philippines

**T**HREE days you will find Myrna Diones, 25, reading the Bible—last way of finding solace from the memories that continue to haunt her 14 years after she survived an attack by policemen in La Union.

Diones' story caught people's attention in

1995 when she, her sister and two cousins were arrested on suspicion of leading cadres from the

private sector of San Fernando City in La Union.

They were jailed, tortured several times

with bamboo sticks and thrown into a 100-meter deep river on Magallon Road in Lubao, Pangasinan, where they were left for dead.

It was an experience so horrible for the then 10-year-old Diones that each word she uttered in court about what occurred on June 17 to 21, 1991, brought tears.

"The pain is too much," she said softly in

the courtroom—44 years after it ended. Diones, 25, said her cousin Laura Diones, 31, and Maria Concepcion, 30, who were nine months pregnant—died in that attack.

But Diones came back from the "dead" to tell the story that shocked the country—of how she

survived at least six months, how she was, again, alive for three months in the river, and how she opened her eyes and found her family just before she was re-embalmed.

Diones also reported a P3 million bribe from supporters of the policemen to exchange her for withdrawal of the case. She claimed the world

lost a young, poor girl could, but the loss of money that would have made her life comfortable. In her young mind and heart, all she wanted was to finish justice for the death of her sister and two cousins.

Diones is now married to Captain's friend with whom she has three children—Anastacio, 11, Brady, 8, and Christian, 6. She has quietly worked

to change the Philippine constitution since 1997, after the attack. She, Maria Concepcion, then chief of the Criminal Investigation Division (now Criminal Investigation and Detection Group) in the Cordillera, looked after her two cousins since 1995.

This was later moved to different city because she recalled that she lived in at least 15 safe houses provided by the Department of Justice under its witness protection program. But she eventually got tired of being in safe houses. In 1997, after going back to her and brother's hometown, she decided it was time to go home. The two were married and now two children.

Her family called in a local radio or a local newspaper to make a movie based on her life. The movie, which started Kiko Aquino, was filmed in San Francisco City, she said.

Diones sells ringlets, fish, corn and other commodities to help support her husband's income. The movie was put up with the money given by her family.

### Still a 'celebrity'

Diones is still a "celebrity" of sorts in the province, as practically every householder in the town knows where she lives.

She said her neighbors started sitting a white mosquito net over her door in front of her house at midnight after she was featured in a TV show early this year. Its occupants, the neighbors said, were asking where she lived. Still, she said, she kept her life as safe as possible to avoid a spotlight. At least, if her house is attacked, the neighbors for help and officials provided her with a first-aid kit and a first-aid kit.

The reason Diones looks so healthy visible now, but the emotional pain caused by her experience keeps resurfacing, she especially around the month that it happened.

"I still get very afraid," she said, adding that she doesn't leave her house whenever she is alone's anniversary comes.

Early June 15, when the bodies of her two cousins were found, Diones would be paying a visit to her house. She would also visit the spot on Magallon Road to light some candles.

"But not now, I do not have time money to do that," she said.

But she never, when the P3 million bribe was offered her, she said and shook her head.

She and brother quietly worked her to support the money. But Diones was unable to let her decision to bring the perpetrators of the crime to justice. The few policemen are now serving life sentences.

### The Diones story

**I**N THE morning of June 17, 1991, Diones, accompanied by her sister Zenaida, and her cousin Laura Diones and Maria Concepcion, went to San Fernando City to get her childhood money from her aunt here.

The four decided to buy official supplies at the San Fernando market. While they were shopping for clothes, her companions were looking for some pairs of pants.

"I noticed a man, who had a gun, silently observing them. Later, the man approached them and I got afraid. I asked the man what was happening. He said they were waiting for the police," Diones said.

The four women were then taken to the Cagayan Valley Police Station and stayed there all day.

In the night, a man, whom Diones described as a cop (she complained), asked and asked the policemen how they slept from 10 to 11.

The policemen then asked them to leave the cell, saying they would be taken to the house of a local official. The four women refused, and said they would rather stay in jail and waiting.

"But we were dragged into a police vehicle," Diones recalled.

In the car, she saw ropes and several bamboo sticks with pointed ends. She also recalled that six men, including the driver, were aboard the vehicle.

Inside the vehicle, the policemen beat and tied up the women around their necks "very tight." The policemen also stabbed them using the bamboo sticks.

Later, when they reached the lake, she and her sister, joined out. The next day doctors at the San Fernando General Hospital and the San Fernando City Hospital.

She was found two days after the bodies of her companions were found at the river in San Fernando, Pangasinan.

Months after that, Diones was taken to the RCMC, where she was separated from other detainees and moved to her house.

In the hospital, several people started to offer her help. Says Maria Concepcion, she helped her by bringing her to the hospital.

The case was resolved in a recent final months by the Regional Judge Ramon Diones, and the perpetrators were sentenced to life in prison.

Yolanda Sando-Puente







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# Peso closes firmer at 55.64 to a dollar



By Derek C. Dunbar

**THE PESO** yesterday descended to break past the critical 56:00 barrier before closing firmer at 55.64, spooked by continuing political uncertainties and skyrocketing oil prices.

But without the political noise that is jangling up the risk premium, Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) Chief Executive Atencio (spelling as it yesterday said the local currency should be trading back to the 56:00 level or where it was before all the trouble started.

Yesterday, the peso hit an inter-

day low of 55.84 and an intra-day high of 55.58 to the dollar at the Philippine Stock Exchange. At the end of the day, it came out stronger compared to Monday's closing rate of 55.745 to the dollar.

Some traders said they believed the BSP would add dollars to the open market according to cash

and fell just 0.10 to the dollar, to some allowing the peso to regain some ground.

Traders declined to comment on this. "We're watching the peso and movements on the exchange rate," he said. "It's just based on macroeconomic fundamentals. We should be seeing a better exchange rate for the peso."

The 56:00 barrier is seen as critical because it is the threshold at which most market participants expect the BSP to intervene using monetary tightening (the

interest rate).

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From the beginning of the year, it only fell the peso has appreciated by about 3.4 percent, despite the weakening of the US dollar, and the political noise triggered by bank corruption accusations against the President.

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## Hike in BSP rates seen

**THE MANDALAY** General ng Diligence will be going to the BSP to see if the monetary policy will be changed in the near future, he said. The peso is expected to rise against the US dollar, foreign exchange traders said yesterday.

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**Shares close 1.53% lower**  
 The Philippine Stock Exchange (PSE) Composite Index closed at 10,100.12, down 153.12 points or 1.53 percent from its previous close of 10,253.24. The index was down for the third day in a row, following a record high of 10,400.00 on Tuesday. The PSE 100 index, which tracks the performance of the top 100 stocks, also closed lower, at 1,010.12, down 15.31 points or 1.53 percent. The total market capitalization of the PSE stood at P1.15 trillion, down P15.31 billion or 1.34 percent from the previous day. The volume of trading was 1.53 billion shares, down 15.31 million shares or 1.53 percent from the previous day.

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 Angara eyes bill to assist troubled pre-need firms  
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## BUSINESS

## The unstoppable Gos

GSIS president Winston Garcia has threatened to file criminal charges against the Gos of Equitable PCIBank, accusing the family of "deceitful" and "highly irregular" corporate maneuverings in disfranchising one of the two directors of the Government Service Insurance System from the bank board.

Garcia yesterday sent a harshly worded ultimatum to Equitable PCIBank chair Antonio Go, after a similar letter he sent to Go last year was ignored.

Garcia sent the new letter after it was reported that the Go family was again set to ignore a Bangko Sentral opinion that the 10-percent block being held by an Equitable PCIBank subsidiary be voted pro rata among the major shareholders in next month's meeting, instead of being unilaterally voted for the Go family.

Despite the Bangko Sentral position and a restraining order from the court, the Gos went on last year to vote the 10-percent block, and, in the process, took away one of the two GSIS board seats.

"When the leadership of the Equitable Bank involved the SSS and the GSIS to join in the acquisition of PCI Bank, it was assumed that the government will have voting power in proportion to their shareholdings," Garcia wrote.

"When the price of your shares dropped, both the SSS and GSIS were even impelled [during the trap administration] to buy additional shares to lower their average buying price."

"To add insult to injury, you are now [even] diminishing the number of directors that the government institutions could elect to the Equi-

## COCKTAILS



Victor C. Agustin

itable PCIBank board," Garcia said. "We have, in effect, used government property for your own benefit and interest."

With the disfranchisement, GSIS has been left with one director, Reynaldo Palermey, in the Equitable PCIBank board, after the bank management downgraded the second GSIS nominee, Gilbert Lomera, to a "non-voting representative."

"This deal born upon the government cannot be perpetrated with impunity," Garcia warned.

Despite all the negative publicity, the Gos and Equitable PCIBank have maintained a no-comment policy on the boardroom row, preferring to let sympathetic columnists and PR consultants defend their position.

## Rotarian pledge wins jail pass

FORMER Tourism Secretary Vicente "Vince" Carino has been freed from his San Francisco detention after promising a California judge he would settle his Las Vegas gambling debts. This was the version of Carino's calamities about the casino-related travails of the Ramo-era Cabinet official.

Carino was detained as soon as he landed at the San Francisco International Airport on

June 10, according to an e-mail from his Alonzo classmate Pete Lacaba, and was kept in detention until June 13, a Monday, when he was presented before a judge, "at which time he arranged [for] payment of the obligation."

"He explained that what the Las Vegas casinos are after was [his] interest on some debts that he had already paid," according to the purported e-mail message that Carino, a lawyer, sent to his classmates in Alonzo de Manila University.

"He was under the impression that the interest had either been waived or had been paid by a friend of his."

Carino, who has not set foot on the United States for some time, was traveling with his wife Tina to attend a Rotary International convention in Chicago when his name cropped up in the investigation red flag list during his San Francisco stopover.

According to the e-mail message, Carino after his release eventually proceeded to Chicago for the Rotary convention, where he represented the Philippines as delegation head, by virtue of his being a former district governor.

Lacaba, a magazine editor, also took the occasion to clarify that he was not one of the classmates—and neither was he aware of any classmate—who had reportedly bailed out Carino from similar financial predicaments in the past.

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# DOF to limit tax deductions of economic zone locators

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By Maricela V. Reyes

THE DEPARTMENT of Finance has approved three revenue regulations that will limit the allowable tax deductions of economic zone locators.

The measures aimed at plugging suspected revenue losses from excessive claims of deductions by these firms.

The three revenue regulations, which the Bureau of Internal Revenue is expected to issue in the next few days, will cover firms involved in selling Bay Properties, those registered with the Philippine Economic Zone Authority (PEZA), and locators in the Cagayan and Zamboanga economic zones.

Economic zone locators are currently only required a 5-percent gross income tax in lieu of all other taxes, as an incentive for their in-

vestment in the country.

But the DOF said the definition of the term "gross income" needed to be clarified, as many locators claimed that they enjoyed an income tax exemption, which they used to offset their gross income, and consequently, their tax liability.

The three revenue regulations will no longer allow the deduction of administrative expenses from gross income, which includes expenses for advertising, administrative salaries, marketing, travel, sales salaries and fees, among others.

The three revenue regulations will also make some of the provisions of Revenue Regulations No. 2-2005, which earlier provided the guidelines for imposing taxes on all economic zone locators, null and void.

"While R20-2005 had good intentions to coordinate under one set of rules all revenue regulations pertaining to special economic zones, its measure deeply concerned the economic zone authorities as well as their locators," the DOF section on internal taxes said.

The DOF said that technically the term "gross income" should be arrived at by deducting only direct expenses, and not administrative costs.

While putting more limits on the allowable tax deductions for economic zone locators, the three revenue regulations will allow the deduction of the cost of depreciation of buildings that are directly used in the production of goods or services.

Currently the cost of depreciation of buildings is not allowed to be deducted from a locator's taxable income.

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## Warrant sought for German partners of posh auto firm

By Rosend W. Darang

A LOCAL distributor of German luxury cars has urged authorities to seek the help of the law enforcement agency to arrest the suspected Audi AG allegedly for "defrauding" the former owner of some P3 billion in investments.

And Y. Rodriguez, executive vice president and chief operating officer of Auto Finance Corp., a private car rental and leasing firm, is demanding a complete list of package of 10 million euros or about P3 billion after Audi AG "abandoned" without due process.

Rodriguez said that in 1998, APC signed with Audi AG an exclusive license, technical assistance and parts supply agreement to develop the Audi brand in the Philippine market. Audi AG then sold APC and Audi signed distribution and license agreements, "making us the sole and exclusive importer and seller of Audi products in the country."

However, the executive said, Audi informed APC in September 2004 that the agreement was terminated.

"They did not even give us the six month (grace period) to find a replacement," Rodriguez said. "When I called them regarding it, they said, 'We are sorry, we are sorry, we are sorry.'"

Rodriguez said, APC financial adviser, who APC had changed, said that the company was the sole owner of the Audi brand in the Philippines, which the Regional Trial Court of Alameda in Marikina issued a warrant of arrest last June 7.

Noted in the warrant were members of the Audi brand in management: Henry Winkler, Kevin Strommen, Andrew Richard, Nick Schmitt, Roger Sueder, Joshua Fierman and Ralph Wirth.

Also named was David Brand, who was the director of management for Audi AG.

"APC received a request from Audi AG for the government's assistance to develop a program for the Audi brand in the Philippines. The program would cost at least \$10 million to set up a company in the Philippines, and Audi AG would invest in the company," he said. "But we got nothing from them. They never received a single cent to develop Audi products in our country."

He said that Audi never even planned to make the country part of their production network. "Last year, they lost it automatically, and we will not be part of their business strategy," he said.

The financial adviser explained that Audi's strategy in the region was to use the company as a vehicle to enter the market without any capital of their own investment, he said. "They are not a real car company."

The APC official said that as far as they were concerned, Audi's intention of their country was to be a car company.

"We will tell the Audi AG that they are not a car company in 2005," he said.



# PCA needs P2B to raise yield of coco farms

By Christine A. Seykora

THE PHILIPPINE Coconut Authority would need to raise P2 billion in additional funds to increase the yield of coconut oil, the country's largest export crop.

The lack of technology support to replace more 60 million under-maintained oil-extraction mills would replace the outdated agency of the Department of Agriculture to look for other alternative means of financing, said Ivan Ibarra, PCA deputy director. The PCA is currently producing 200,000 metric tons of coconut oil per year, but this production has been declining by 2 percent to 300,000 metric tons in recent years, as compared to last year's 350,000 metric tons.

The 10 nationwide industrial programs for coconut have not had any link to 1998 to year 2000. These aid, adding that the program had the support of the World Bank. "These days, there have been no more aid programs...the state is not the driver."

The decline in local production has significantly affected the country's export volumes. In the period January to April, Philippine exports of coconut oil (HS92) has gone down to 200,000 metric tons to replace the 217,470 metric tons exported during the same period last year.

Although world prices are high and the average price is at \$600 per metric ton, an increase to the average price of \$540 per metric ton in year 2000, Philippine exporters still cannot increase their sales with the limited available supply, Ibarra said.

The country's coconut oil export is expected to increase to the United States and Europe. One to another export market the coconut oil and other coconut by-products.

Fine and due to coconut and other increase the country's coconut oil exports, the country needs to address the production shortfall by providing a low-cost technology package.

The PCA and small coconut farmers might not be able to afford the cost of the program.

The PCA has estimated that the technology program would cost about P2,500 a hectare a year, or 20,000 for the 10,000-hectare three-year period.

The agency said there are about 700,000 hectares of coconut farmland—out of the country's total coconut area of 3.1 million hectares—that are "under-cultivated" and in need of fertilization.

"Without these fertilization and supporting projects, coconut output will decline by 25 percent to 30 percent," Ibarra said.

## JP Morgan gets nod to reopen PSE seat in July

By Elizabeth L. Sanchez

THE PHILIPPINE stock exchange has approved the application of Edward J. Morgan & Co. (JPMorgan) to reopen its brokerage seat in the exchange. JPMorgan President James G. Glasser said.

JPMorgan will open its seat in the stock market after two years of deliberation.

Lawrence H. Morgan, president of JPMorgan, said that the firm has been in the Philippines since 1990, but the firm has not been able to open its seat in the exchange.

According to sources, JPMorgan began its research in PSE seat in July to meet its 100th anniversary.

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# Market pushes rates up; 7-year T-bond hits 11.42%

Market behavior still on the side of caution as investors air concern over political events

## Peugeot celebrated Father's Day

Autofrance Philippines, Inc. (APFI), exclusive distributor of Peugeot in the country celebrated Father's Day at Pasig City last June 16. Peugeot treated the crowd with a fun program. Car exhibit featuring 2001, 2001, and 2001. A live show was also conducted during the 2-day display from June 17 to 19. For inquiries, you may visit Lion Motors, Inc., authorized dealer of APFI located at 303 San Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City or call (812) 8842900/ 9015/8483736.



By Michele V. Reyes

THE COST of the government's credit-line borrowing shifted up slightly to 11.42 percent yesterday, thus continuing the upward trend in interest rates that has been going on for some time in the global market.

The new 11.42 percent rate for the government Treasury bond was higher by 4.7 basis points compared with the 11.372 percent average rate recorded during the debt auction last week.

According to Eduardo Mendoza, the country's deputy treasury, the slight upward movement was considered inevitable, especially since the average Treasury rate already today is at a slightly higher average rate than in the previous week.

He said the market was behaving rationally and was not reacting to the political events. He said that despite the government's action, the market has remained. He said the 10.24 billion worth of high credit government's nation for the week ended March, which was higher than the government's debt offering of 10.24 billion.

He also said that the market was not as volatile as it was in the past. He said that the market was not as volatile as it was in the past. He said that the market was not as volatile as it was in the past.

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## Court upholds SEC decision to fold Lifetime back to Pacific

THE 10TH CIRCUIT Federal Trial Court has upheld the decision of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) to fold the private firm Lifetime Media Inc. (LMI) back to its parent, Pacific Media Inc. (PMI).

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# Oil prices ease below \$59; market waits

HOUSTON—Oil prices eased back below \$59 a barrel in futures trade Tuesday after hitting record highs in New York as the market pushed for fresh ahead of another shaky supply outlook.

The beginning of the week's price surge was paid \$55 for the first time, falling a high of \$59.32 in New York, as speculators moved again overseas about possible supply shortages going into the northern hemisphere winter later this year.

In one month, petroleum prices have risen 27 percent in New York and 22 percent in London and are up 33 percent since the start of 2002.

Crude oil prices, a commodity traded with ARE spot in this country, Australia, and the factors that had driven up prices continued to play through the closing hours of the market on Tuesday.

"There are some trading the market takes 1/4 of a barrel," it just seems to be looking at that \$60 mark, which is a price required to be a price of a barrel," says a trader at Citigroup.

"I usually think everything is still pointing towards a continuation of this upward trend."

Prices used the New York contract would likely trade through \$58 in US trade, with futures, says weekly report of its energy desk in New York.

"The US Energy Department's data will be a fair point which could up a rather way but it would have to be a fairly healthy report following which had increased from all over the world from \$55 to \$58," he said.

Prices pointed out that US crude inventories are at the top end of the average over the past 75 years.

However, the market is looking for a lack of global supply capacity that could be sufficient to cause being raised into heating but not other petroleum products such as jet fuel and diesel.

Analysts say the market is already looking for this possible lack of heating fuel for the northern hemisphere winter.

"The main reason for the continued movement is the same as they have been through out the strong push up over the past month...the perception of a tight balance for the bulk end of this year is a market with limited supply," US-based Barclays Capital analyst Kevin Martin said.

Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) president Sheikh Ahmed al-Fahad al-Sabih said Monday he would hold talks on Friday except for an additional 100,000 barrels per day if it proved necessary for the rest of the year.

"Oil prices continue to the end of this week at the same level, I will not consider any outflows in volume for 2003/2004 barrels," Sheikh Ahmed said.

OPEC's 11 members last week agreed to raise the group's production ceiling by 200,000 bpd on July 1 and said they might increase the ceiling by September.

However, the move was largely seen as a symbolic gesture because the cartel is already pumping more oil than it can sell off, and ceiling of 27.5 million bpd.

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## Hike in BSP rates seen

MANILA—A compelling evidence for a change monetary policy is the fact that we have a mounting key indicators that will really tell us whether it's time to move the rates or not. The Monetary Board is a committee of the situation and prepared to take action as necessary," he said.

One trader with a local commercial bank said the BSP might increase its overnight rate by as much as 50 basis points if the peso would fall past 50.81, 50th percentage point is equivalent to 50 basis points.

"It will tend to signal to the market, because if a depreciation of 16, it will be a threshold," the trader said.

Another trader with a foreign bank said that with the sharp peso depreciation in some days, the BSP would be driven to raise its

money rates soon "but will not the Fed rate increase in August."

"The US Fed is widely expected to raise its rate later by another 25 basis points to 5.25 percent at the end of this month."

On top of pressures from local policies, the mounting differential between local and US interest rates was also seen pushing the BSP to consider raising its rates.

In a separate interview, Richard Austin, Governor of Citibank Commercial Bank Philippines, said the BSP would likely raise rates by next month.

"I think they will not do it this month but will do it next month because all the factors will push them to—deflation, exchange rate, political issues, oil prices and wage and labor pressure," Austin said. (Joaquin C. Duran)

## Shares close 2.53% lower

MANILA—The Philippine Stock Exchange composite index fell 30.62 points to 1,914.09 after trading between 1,950.98 and 1,984.71. Volume was 380.5 million shares worth P17.3 million.

The Sensitive oil shares index fell 24.88 points to 1,188.76.

Lower led gains 74 to eight, with 24 stocks unchanged.

"The market is becoming more and more cautious given the uncertainty over political and inflation,"

said Lawrence de Leon of Accord Capital Corporation.

"The increase in oil prices and the decline in local stocks is clearly and as a result the oil price pressure on the profit margins of companies and eventually economic growth," he said.

"Investors are in a really tight mode and it is very clear that their investment preferences are short-term, which means they are more into speculation about the economy," he said. (Joaquin C. Duran)

## Peso closes ...

and less heavily moved than expected.

The new question is, will the volatility of the peso continue beyond June 11? There's something that we need to monitor and be watchful of," BSP Assistant Governor Tomas Tiangco said.

Because oil prices are likely to cause more stress to the foreign exchange market, a higher dollar requirement for oil imports will inevitably put pressure on the peso.

Under the BSP's announced full-year foreign exchange would average at 44.21 a barrel in the first five months of the year, it has averaged at 40.22, which implies that it has the assumption, under price should stay close to \$45 a barrel from June to the end of the year.

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## BUSINESS

# RP may soon exit IMF program

By Don C. Dumbao

THE PHILIPPINES will soon exit the post-program monitoring program of the International Monetary Fund.

A source from the government's economic team yesterday said that the IMF, which ended the country's economic performance review a year last February due to the IMF was "showing to achieve."

The source also said the country's remaining debt with the IMF had fallen to a lower level of just 41 percent of the quota.

The quota determines a country's maximum financial commitment to the IMF and its voting power. It also has a bearing on access to IMF financing.

The Philippines' remaining debt to the

IMF has been falling below the country's quota, or contribution to shareholder in the past four years. But it has chosen to remain under the IMF.

Countries whose borrowings exceed the quota with the IMF are obliged to stay under the post-program monitoring program.

The official said, however, that the IMF had yet to finalize its intent to graduate the Philippines from the monitoring program.

It said for the various policies which were weighing down on the peso and the export markets, the timing and the rate could soon happen again.

Although a temporary aid of good loans keeping the debt from the IMF is highly valued by the government, a complete exit from the IMF has always been signed, but as good of confidence in the country's economic stability.

With the debt-to-quota ratio falling to record lows, and the passage of the Localized Value-added Tax reform law, the official said the Philippines had a better chance of exiting from the IMF.

"It is a natural decision. We have reached the point where we're prepared to do it alone and our programs remain that successful," the official said.

A Washington-based IMF source, which has been in touch for the past two weeks in part of regular consultation with the government's economic team, is set to conduct a briefing on its latest assessment tonight.

The Philippines has "graduated" from the last funding program with the IMF in 2004, but has remained under the IMF's data-supply status since then.

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KARL ROTT with folks from the World Raggae Day stage

Karl Rott

The Inquirer's circulation and revenue figures

For a year, the Inquirer's circulation and revenue figures have been on a steady decline, according to a report by the Philippine Daily Inquirer.

Editor Chela Barot-Fernandez, Chief of Circulation and Revenue

This energy never waned as over 150 bands kept the night going in true Filite style



RICO of Mojoly with Prince &amp; Plabonka

# And the. musique played on

By Christian B. Bautista

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"This is the third time of all Manila's dance music,"—Philippines.

Indeed, the 2007 Filite de la Musique was the evening party everyone expected it to be. With over 150 bands playing in some different stages, the energy never waned as artists after artists kept the night going in true Filite style. Strongly enough, it wasn't all because of the alcohol.

Even the small gathering in Plaza

Avenue that was the 2004 Filite de la Musique, the event became known to be one of the most-attended music gatherings in the metropolis. "This is the one gig that I do not want to miss every year. My wife and I go to the first 500 or 800 back stage, watching Filite. There's a feeling of being left out if you don't get to play. But after that, it's all about the music, the people, the bands," said James Caballero, guitarist for the indie band, The Roots.

"It was one of a privilege to be part of the biggest show of the year. It's fun, but you get to share the stage with the best musicians in the country. Making

me long-term, it's a lot of fun, and it's a lot of fun," added Rapiney inquirer (The Inquirer).

## Crowded as Manila

The year's edition of the Filite was a great comeback from the previous year's modest field of 100 bands. The performance at the outdoor stage was recorded due to rain. Also, the newspaper's readers around suburban Manila in some portions, mostly members of the metropolitan area, were the main audience.

AND THE MUSIQUE 12



## A woman with dark hair, wearing a dark red top and dark pants, is playing a violin. She is standing in front of a colorful, abstract mural.



LACOSTE Malles, Monedda





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the girls with attention.

SPECIAL THANKS: MAE COLLADO OF UCC COFFEE

## Win a date with Hale winners

CONGRATULATIONS to Janezza Ayaton and JC Lee for coming out on top of the Win a Date with Hale contest. The girls, who won after writing a 12-line poem professing their admiration for the band, got a chance to have dinner at UCC Coffee during the Fête de la Musique with the chart-topping group.

"As fans, *mahirap sila maabot. Sinulat ko lang what it was like being their fan,*" said the 22-year-old Lee. "We just wanted to meet them so we would know what they were like," added Ayaton.

The band, especially their vocalist, Champ Lui-Pio was psyched to meet their big fans. "It's a big motivation for us that we affect people's lives," he said. *Christian B. Bautista*

# s off June 25

## Shopaholics, hear this!

ARE you gutsy, determined, focused and willing to give your all to prove that Pinoy's are unmatched in the shopping arena?

Do you have what it takes to be the Philippine representative to the Hong Kong Tourism Board's Shopper of the Year contest?

If you answered yes to the questions posed above, then move fast and rack your brains for the wackiest and most creative answer to the question, "Why should I be the Philippine representative to the Shopper of the Year promo in Hong Kong?"

All brave and fearless Pinoy shopaholics, 18 and above, with Philippine passport, must send their answers along with a fave photo of a shopping moment (yes, that's you caught on film wild shopping abandon) and their contact information (name, address and phone number) via e-mail to [hkshoppingfest@perceptions-t.com](mailto:hkshoppingfest@perceptions-t.com) by 11:59 p.m. of July 1, Friday.

From the entries, five lucky Pinoy's will get the chance to outsmart, outwit and outshop each other on an all-out, no-holds-barred local shopping competition that will prove, once and for all, the chosen one who eats, lives and breathes shopping.

Entries will be judged based on the following criteria: creativity and uniqueness (30 percent), content (30 percent), composition (20 percent) and impact (20 percent).

The lucky winner will walk away with a four-

day, three-night trip to Hong Kong for two to participate in the 2005 Shopper of the Year contest, including return flight tickets and hotel accommodation, courtesy of the Hong Kong Tourism Board.

The 2005 Shopper of the Year contest requires each team to purchase one item from each of the four shopping themes, which are Fashion and Beauty, Jewelry and Watches, Consumer Electronics, and Chinese Traditions. Each team will also be given a digital camera to capture their shopping moments, and the newly introduced Photo Award will be given to the best team.

Now are you guys ready for this? What do you want to take home to 'Pinas if you win the grand prize in Hong Kong?

Everything that your shopper's heart desires! Round-trip tickets from Cathay Pacific, a two-night stay in a Grand Deluxe Harbour view suite, a helitour of Hong Kong, a Samsung Notebook and many more cool and exciting prizes await the lucky Shopper of the Year winner in Hong Kong.

So if shopping genuinely runs in your blood, expend all that furious energy and send in your answers now! Don't forget your photos, too!

Good luck and hail to Pinoy shoppers everywhere!

Announcement of the Philippine representative to the Shopper of the Year Contest will be on July 13.





## LIFE STYLE

## 2bU! gets serious

This week, we remove our masks of apathy and superficiality and leave them outside the door. We care about this country, so much that it hurts. We care about Filipinos, so much that we don't want to see them leave for abroad. Here are our thoughts on the wine-tapping scandal, sexual harassment, people power, tax burden and brain drain. You think we're indifferent, but you're wrong.



## Filipinos need a makeover

By Catherine Young  
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**T**URN on the news and you are likely to see a replay of Sunday Ogie's "mother-of-all-sins" video clip. Grab the June 13 issue of *Time* Magazine and you can't miss President Macapagal-Arroyo and her belief that as far as her term is concerned, "The Lord put me here." Open that anonymous forwarded text message and it is quite possibly a friendly warning of impending martial law in the country.

The issue we've reached is one kind of low where one hand is in a basket and a friend, while a part of you is intrigued, the emotional effort isn't worth the effort.

Others may be a nation that is tired of its leaders, but more than that, we are a country that is losing its capacity to trust. Hence it is our generation and lack of vision that causes brain corrosion of skepticism and doubts and bad governance that have made us a nation of outsiders.

There is no lack of education and more important, lack of analysis on our part as citizens, so that we let corrupt politicians get away with murder. (Hence it is on the news, the alignment of the news, your media is slow.)

It is tough to sit alone and ask ourselves "What did I do go wrong, and how do you get it right?"

The standard may be biological or historical because of the wine-tapping, but the reality ends there. The funny thing, as a friend of mine pointed out, is that no one is doing anything to keep the country that long enough to be happy. There are more amazing and the response that were based on this discovery, giving a strange new dimension to the word "political movement." We, we people know how to get a few laughs.

While from talking to the streets, Filipinos are still against the spending, providing and pushing for so many of dealing with problems. I can't help but remember another *Time* magazine piece ("The Success of Philippines," Feb.

We treat every national crisis with humor. But it is time to be serious.

28 issue). As easy as Alan Baller discussed the Filipino propensity for happiness—there's even a golf, but rather, a "best for comfort," he used to describe how that has been, with all the injustice and inequality that has kept the country, it is perhaps even possible to be able to smile through our troubles.

But sometimes I think that our tendency to check one notch and pretend to smile when things go wrong can make us as well. And we don't even have to go into the political arena. While our benevolent hospitality and traditional politeness are laudable, we sometimes end up making our own lives a hell and bubble beneath a veneer of "The Perfect Wave" persona.

We have so much hidden rage, not just in a nation but also in individuals, so it's no wonder that we channel our irritation through passive-aggressive means of gossip, rumors and under-the-table dealings, making relationships crumble. And though it is admirable that Filipinos tend to be very sociable, the "forming circle" of those who give up on people they don't like runs this society into one that is repulsive and, frankly, shameful.

I wish we could have a personality makeover, as this one aggression is characterized in our work ethic, so that we could say what we mean and mean it, no longer disfigure as things that surface it, but also are on our side, so that we can move on to the next level. Even in danger or crisis mode, don't let people tell you what to do, and learn how to strike a balance between the fun and the serious. And maybe, maybe we won't break up, or we won't be only for friends, and we'll be able to deal with what they say.

Perhaps leaders will even be more helpful in what they say.

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because there is one basic tenet of justice that we are forgetting: No matter how guilty he looks like, a person is innocent until proven guilty. In this very day, the guilt of Estrada has not been established.

Now can we say that the impeachment trial was a failure when we didn't even let it finish? And as much as I dread the return of someone like the former President, we have to learn to admit that he never actually explicitly said that he resigned, yet, we somehow retained the law to say that he did "in spirit."

People wondered why the international community looked down upon People Power 2 and 3. It's got nothing to do with guilt or innocence. It's about principles. It's about whether the end justifies the means.

With everything happening right now, one might think that nobody really gives a hoot

about democracy. We forget that democracy is far more complex than that. It includes the protection of the rights of every single individual regardless of class and influence in the law.

I know what some of you are thinking: the government is too corrupt, the justice system doesn't work, the suffering of the people demands drastic action and thus, popular revolt is justified.

But is democracy worth saving if we continue to disregard humanism? To be a true follower of democracy you have to follow all its tenets—not just the ones that are convenient for you.

That is essentially what people power has done: It has given power to the mob and opened the way for "trial by emotion." Mob-justice, just heated debates and accusations.

## -day exodus

working in another  
country and adopting its  
culture, a Filipino seems to  
feel he has moved a notch  
higher than those still in  
his country

Philippines are scattered all over the world. I know a lot of people who have moved to the United States. I have friends who are nurses in the U.S. I have friends who migrated to Canada to work in the Middle East. Thousands more, millions more, of Filipinos are planning to leave this country one day, either now or later.

But, find this phenomenon disturbing. Is this country really going to the dogs? Is it not a great country? Why can't we stay and make this country great again? Has the Philippines really become a third-world country? Are we going to self-destruct any day?

Let's ask some questions: I ask why we give too much attention to people who have made it in the U.S. What if they make thousands of dollars there, but their minimum wage earners here get less than \$1 a month? Does that make them better off?

Maybe it's time we take notice of Aling Linda

who makes a living selling produce at the Indus Public Market. Or Mang Robert who works his field to sustain his family in the mountains. They along with the rest of the Philippines still in this country are making a living the best way they know how.

Sometimes we forget how we all can make living conditions in this country better by sticking together.

I guess today's Filipino youth continuously find themselves in crossroads. With technology continuing to grow and globalization knocking at our doors, we have to be prepared for anything. We have to be constantly on our toes and make sure we survive as a people, as a nation.

Sure, we Filipinos are probably the best nature and compared to the US and the UK are fine but the Filipino people need nature and caregivers, too. And it is funny that many doctors are now training to be caregivers or nurses as they leave this country.

Philippines are considered among the best countries in the world but at the rate they are leaving for overseas jobs, the decline in quality of the Philippine educational system will likely continue for several more years.

Are we just going to let the world get the best of what we have?

We need all the talent, intellect and commitment we can get. It's not that all that is going away. I know everyone promises to come back, full of treasure and experiences. But when there is no longer a Philippines to come back to?

Maybe it's time we get those people back. But all we know, the promised land may be right here.

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## is simply taxpayers



paid if they have to shell it out several times a day. It shows just how detached from reality the people in power are.

If government officials kept on going around the streets of Manila in black Mercedes Benzes, surrounded by flashy white flagellants, then they really will not see the value of an extra two pesos. Or the real state of the country, for that matter. The President recently lashed out at her detractors for attempting to destabilize the government when apparently, the economy grew by so-and-so percent.

However, it is not so easy for people on the street to measure prosperity by the growth of the GDP and so on and so forth—the gauge, for many of them, is

through the prices of commodities, a drop in the crime rate, and by the number of jobs available, not by some abstract numbers on a chart, no matter what government officials insist.

Rather than spending out empty words that don't mean anything, let's let those government officials meet to the streets to see the real state of the country? Too often, many of them release irresponsible statements, only to take them back hastily because of public outrage. But the damage is done—already, we are shown how careless the people who govern us really are.

Sure, there are a few public servants who really do want to make a difference, but they are few and far between. And even they are faced to "adorn" themselves sometimes just to show their constituents they are doing something. But for the person with the highest position in the land, it is completely unnecessary.

While there is no excuse for not paying taxes, you cannot help but sympathize with the tax evaders—they work themselves to the bone, only to have it taken away by a government that magically evaporates the funds. Other countries have higher taxes, but at least you can see where the taxes go. On this side of the world, government tax institutions are dismissed with "Voluntary fund, etc."

Now could we have gotten used to this way of thinking? I can't help to suppose—most of all the taxpayers—to simply accept and take things as they are. We are used to not knowing what happens in our town, ward, or anything whatever. Blame explanation given to us by our destabilizing change, we should change everyone. Especially ourselves.

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